

Cathedral & Hill Suburbs Pastoral Area

ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL | ST FRANCIS XAVIER (Mornington)
ST MARY'S (Kaikorai) | ST JOSEPH'S (Brockville)

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5 April 2026 – Easter Sunday – Year A



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SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY:	St Mary's Vigil: 6:00pm
SUNDAY:	St Francis Xavier: 9:00am
	St Joseph's Cathedral: 10:30am; (9:00am Latin Mass; Chapel)
	St Joseph's, Brockville remains closed to the public.

WEEKDAY MASS

ST MARY'S: Tue & Fri: 9:30am; **ST FRANCIS XAVIER:** Wed & Thurs: 9:30am

ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL: Mon & Sat: 9:30am (Chapel), Wed: 5:30pm (Cathedral)

CONFESSION

Cathedral: Sat 4:30-5:00pm

EXPOSITION

Cathedral: Wed 6-6:40pm
(concluding with Benediction)

HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

Holy Thursday 7:00pm - Cathedral, 9:00pm Night Prayer (*Replaces Mornington 9:30am*)

Good Friday 3:00pm - Cathedral

Holy Saturday 7:00pm - Easter Vigil - Cathedral (*Replaces Kaikorai Vigil*)

Easter Sunday 9:00am - Mornington

10:30am – Cathedral

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

A reminder that this collection taken up at the conclusion of the Good Friday 3pm service for the care of the Holy Places which is provided by the Franciscans who manage these in the Holy Land. May peace reign in the land that Christ walked.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Devotions will be celebrated at the Cathedral Sunday 12 April 3-4pm with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Chapel, Confession and Benediction.

DUNEDIN DIOCESE CLERGY JUBILEES MASS

During this year of 2026 we joyfully honour the priests in our Diocese who have reached significant milestones in regard years of priestly service:

Bishop Colin Campbell - 60th Diamond Jubilee

Msgr Vincent Walker - 70th Platinum Jubilee

Everyone from across the Diocese is welcome to join the clergy of the Diocese for our annual Mass honouring our Jubilarians at St Joseph's Cathedral, Monday 4th May, 11:00am.

CATHEDRAL MASS MORNING TEA – 1st Sunday of Month

In the Pastoral Centre following Mass this week – everyone most welcome.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Confirmation & First Holy Communion - 27/28 June**

DIOCESAN WIDE CONSULTATION 2026

Over the months before Easter, Bishop Michael is consulting across the Diocese regarding present Pastoral Areas becoming singular Parishes. This consultation is for individuals and groups, focusing on the synodal question: “**What sort of parish are we called to be**”

More info at www.stjosephscathedraldunedin.com

THANK YOU

As Easter approaches (the closing of the Diocesan Consultation) I want to thank you all for the overwhelming support and encouragement I have received as the Parish Priest of our three Parishes. It is not always easy to deal with change and questions around sustainability, which can elicit something of a grief experience for some. Let us pray for those who may be struggling with this process and let our faith in Christ and his bride the Church be our consolation and unity, the reason for our hope and cause of our eternal joy; not a pious thought but a true reality.

Blessings,

Fr Vaughan Leslie PP

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Recent Deaths:

Sr Joan Bennet OP

Anniversaries:

Fr Tom O'Reilly CM

Requiescant in Pace

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES for the financial year beginning 1 April 2026 are available for collection from the church foyers. If you would like to join the planned giving envelope system, please contact the Parish Office during office hours to request a set.

GIBSON TALK SERIES 3, 2026

Dr Graham Redding, University of Otago speaking on **Religious violence and religious nationalism in a fragmenting world**. Wednesday **15 April 2026 at 7pm** at Mornington Methodist Church (corner of Galloway and Whitby Streets). **Admission:** \$5 or other koha. All welcome.

In a time of growing division and conflict, religion is often seen as both a cause of violence and a source of hope. This talk will explore the myths of a just war and examine how religion can both fuel and resist violence.



PLANNED GIVING Donations for the support of Priests and the Parish may be given by Automatic Payment or Planned Giving Envelopes. If you would like to join the Planned Giving Programme, **please contact the Parish Office** for more information. Tax receipts are issued at the end of the financial year, of which one third can be claimed from the Inland Revenue.

TITIPOUNAMU STUDY & JOY

Parrhēsia – with Prof Amy-Jill Levine (USA). Jesus is the model of someone speaking truth boldly and taking risks. What can we learn from his example?

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2026/03/28/parrhesia-muffin-talk-with-prof-amy-jill-levine/>

Passion Sunday & Good Friday - recording with the late Kieran Fenn fms.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/04/02/passion-sunday-good-friday/>

For more resources and information: www.studyjoy.nz

PROLIFE FACTS

The **ACTIV8 Pro-Life Youth Camp** is for pro-life people aged **16–25** who want four days of fun, friendship, and formation during the July holidays. It's a great chance to meet like-minded youth from across New Zealand. Together, you'll explore topics such as morality and truth, what pro-lifers believe, life in the womb, responding to pro-choice claims, abortion in New Zealand, disability and abortion, and how to have effective pro-life conversations. There are also powerful testimonies, small-group activities, films, and plenty of time to relax and connect.

Details: 14–17 July, at CYC Ngāruawāhia. Cost is \$175 (\$150 before 28 April; siblings \$125).

Visit activ8nz.org/youthcamp to find out more and register. **For more pro-life info, visit www.voiceforlife.org.nz.**

VACANCY – Chief Finance Officer, Christchurch

The Diocese of Christchurch is seeking an experienced and forward-thinking Chief Finance Officer (CFO) to lead a passionate and committed team and contribute meaningfully to the strategic direction of the Catholic Diocese of Christchurch. We invite applications from leaders who share the Diocese's sense of purpose, who value meaningful work, and who are energised by contributing to a mission-driven organisation.

For more information, or to apply, email applications@cdoc.nz

Applications close at 9.00pm on April 12.

VOICE FOR LIFE YOUTH

God is Pro-Life

Sunday 12th April, Mercy Parish, 6:30pm
Games | Pizza | Video | Quiz

Parish Directory

- **Passionist Family Group:** Meeting once a month. Contact: Deborah Kelly debkelly@kinect.co.nz
- **Xavier Notes Music, Mornington:** Contact: Parish office will forward enquiry
- **St Joseph's Cathedral Choir and Choristers:** Contact: David Burchell d.c.burchell@outlook.com or ph. 021 135 2535
- **St Vincent de Paul Society:** 03 477 0555; www.stvincentdepauldunedin.nz/
- **Rosary:** St Mary's Kaikorai following Tue & Fri Mass; Cathedral Wed 6:10pm
- **Tongan Community:** Mass 1st Sunday of the month, St Mary's Kaikorai
Contact: Hulita Makasini, ph. 021 162 1610
- **Filipino Community:** Mass 3rd Sunday of the month, St Mary's Kaikorai
- **Cathedral Sunday Coffee:** Meeting after Mass at Mitre 10. Contact: Raymond & Monica clarkraymond07@gmail.com
- **Friendship Club** Little Sisters of the Poor, for the elderly and homebound, Tuesdays 10-3pm. Contact: 03 476 2028 or email: dt@lspdun.co.nz to attend – free transport.
- **Catholic Young Adults Prayer Group:** Fridays 6pm during University term time at Holy Name. Email: dunedin.catholic@gmail.com; [Facebook group](#)
Instagram: @dunedin.catholic.

All Parish Groups are welcome to be included in this directory by contacting the parish office: stjosephcathdn@gmail.com or hillsburbspa@gmail.com

PARISH ROSTERS

12 April 2026, 2nd Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday

ST MARY'S Saturday, 6:00pm	ST FRANCIS XAVIER Sunday, 9:00am	ST JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL Sunday, 10:30am
<p>Greeter: B McCaig Reader: E Makasini Welcome/Prayers: A Kubala Collection: Barton Family Gifts: L Finnerty, P Campbell Altars Servers: M Rietveld, O Reju Overhead: L Dempster Counters: L Finnerty Cleaning: S Kubala</p>	<p>Greeters: I & L Sefo Welcome/Prayers: M Jarka Readers: G O'Connell, R Su'a Collection/Gifts: N Muhall, R O'Connell Extraordinary Minister: S More Altars Servers: Overhead: D More Morning Tea: C & J Sullivan Counters: G & H O'Connell Cleaning: R O'Connell Family</p>	<p>Greeters: F Filguieras, J Dawkins Readers: G & B Biggs Collection: R & M Clark Gifts: M Rajaratnam, G Luby Extraordinary Ministers: K & M Flaherty Altars Servers: R Masoe, C Colin, T-J Matthews-Nielsen Overhead: Connolly Family Counters: Pupalii Family Cleaning: J Chung</p>

Rosters for all Parishes are available on the Cathedral website here:

<https://www.stjosephscathedraldunedin.com/rosters.html>. Copies are also posted at the churches.